

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on February 22, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: HB 134, HB 372, HB 375, HB 376, HB 418, HB 421

00:01:04 Recessed
00:28:27 Reconvened with Rep. Sheldon-Galloway Present

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 134

00:30:11 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 134 DO PASS.**

00:30:48 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 134 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(edh39a01)

Discussion:

00:31:05 Rep. Essmann

00:33:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-1 by voice vote with Rep. Staffanson voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:33:52 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 134 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

00:34:01 **Motion:** Rep. Beard moved that **HB 134 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(edh39a02)

Discussion:

00:34:21 Rep. Beard

00:35:48 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:36:08 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:36:36 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 134 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:36:46 Rep. Essmann

00:38:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 15-2 by voice vote with Rep. Bachmeier and Rep. Staffanson voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 372

00:38:59 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 372 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:39:15 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

00:39:34 Chair Berglee

00:39:59 Rep. Curtis

00:40:21 Rep. Anderson

00:40:57 Rep. Curtis

00:41:12 Rep. Schreiner

00:41:32 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-1 by voice vote with Rep. Schreiner voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 375

00:42:13 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 375 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:42:20 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

00:42:39 Rep. Funk

00:43:10 Rep. Price

00:43:41 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. G. Hertz, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Webber voting aye. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:44:52 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 375 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 376

00:45:14 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 376 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:45:24 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

[**EXHIBIT\(edh39a03\)**](#)

00:46:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Curtis moved that **HB 376 BE AMENDED.** Motion failed 2-15 by roll call vote with Rep. Curtis and Rep. Vinton voting aye. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:48:15 Rep. Bachmeier

00:49:04 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway

00:50:48 Rep. Price

00:51:58 Rep. Webber

00:53:15 Rep. P. Webb

00:53:59 Rep. Curtis

00:55:29 Rep. Essmann

00:57:52 Rep. Schreiner

01:00:57 Rep. Staffanson

01:01:05 Rep. Beard

01:01:31 Rep. Funk

01:03:46 Rep. Anderson

01:04:45 Rep. Schreiner

01:05:14 Chair Berglee

01:08:37 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Webber voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 418

01:09:50 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 418 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:09:58 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

01:10:36 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 418 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(edh39a04)

01:11:15 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 418 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 12-5 by voice vote with Rep. Beard, Rep. Berglee, Rep. G. Hertz, Rep. Sheldon-Galloway and Rep. Staffanson voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 421

01:12:29 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 421 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:12:40 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD

01:13:01 Rep. Funk

01:13:11 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

01:13:58 Rep. Price

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:14:37

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh39aad.pdf](#))